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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, AUGUST 1.

All royal roads now seem to include a run through America.

The czar is going in for reform and the Cossacks will be given more target practice.

On a western race track there is a horse named Crime. Is it not almost a crime to run him?

China appears to need Minister Wu in her business, but his recall savors of an unfriendly act to us.

Lord Salisbury has refused a dukedom. How that man must be pitied by William Waldorf Astor.

Automobile scorchers won't be completely happy until their machines are equipped with torpedo tubes.

A man who fights for freedom and wins is a patriot; if he fights and loses, he is a pig-headed old imbecile.

When airships are perfected they will do a great business on the Fourth of July with old ladies who love quiet.

A government bulletin announces that the United States uses 9,792,000,000 pins every year. What becomes of them?

Lillian Russell has been arrested for fast driving in an automobile. Does the poor, overworked press agent get no vacation?

Do we see in the increasing number of train robberies an indication that the days of the wild and woolly west are returning?

France has an ultimatum in pickle for Turkey. Hope it will keep until Thanksgiving, or at least until after the hot weather.

Peary is ready to come back. He hasn't found the north pole, but he has enough material for a new lecture and another book.

Joseph Chamberlain's accident must be considered something of a stroke of luck, for he has also had bulletins issued by the doctors.

This "epigram" is found in one of the new books: "There's no friend in this world like a $10 bill." What's the matter with a $20?

They tried to give the impassive Kitchener a warm welcome in London, but it was like trying to melt an iceberg with a parlor match.

The petrified remains of Noah's ship have been uncovered in Alaska. It must have been a cold day when the great navigator landed.

The packers keep on consolidating. But let the vegetarians refrain from merrymaking. The first thing they know there will be lettuce and turnip trusts.

The ball which hit a Dallas man in the stomach and killed him was not a highball. When a highball hits a Texan in the stomach he immediately begins to live.

Much as we boast of our rapid advancement, we have not discovered as yet any means whereby the boat rocker can be rocked out before he rocks the boat.

A Pittsburg man killed himself because his wife left him. If every man whose wife left him took it as seriously as that this would be a terrible month for fatalities.

J. Pierpont Morgan says the kaiser is a great man. The latter should get the testimonial framed for him so his wall that he may proudly point it out to visiting monarchs.

A Chicago school teacher has sued a real estate dealer for $50,000 damages for an alleged attempt to kiss her. Great Scott! What would the figure have been had the man succeeded?

It's too bad that so many people will never have a chance now to see the Campanile. The canals and several other landmarks—if an Irish bull may be permitted here—are still in place, however.

As pilots are reported to have seen a 300-foot sea serpent off Cranberry Head, C. B., just as J. J. Hill's yacht was entering the harbor, it is possible the sailors were frightened by the great American octopus.

J. Pierpont Morgan's denunciation of the American game or poker shows the demoralizing influence of his association with the crowned heads of Europe. He may be expected to hand baccarat in his next cabled interview.

The whistling of Schumann's "Traumerei" and "The Moonlight Bird" by a young woman in a New York church once more invites attention to the fact that some churches are crowding the vaudeville shows a trifle hard just now.

A proposed bazaar raffle during the coronation of the King of England has been forbidden by the police of London. Evidently gambling on the king's life has given the English people quite enough of this sort of "speculation" for a while.

The decision of a St. Louis judge that a wife has a perfect right to go through her husband's pockets in search of small change—larger discoveries not neglected—may be based on a realization of the fact that it is impossible to stop her from doing it anyway.

A motor-paced bicyclist has made twenty-five miles in thirty-five minutes four and a half seconds. This is not far short of a mile-a-minute pace and does not give the steam locomotive a very big margin of superiority.

Michigan Items

State Happenings Succinctly Told by Our Special Correspondents.

MINERS AND OPERATORS APART

Propositions Rejected and Strike Settlement Still Far Off.

Michigan coal operators met at the Fraser house, Bay City, in executive session to receive the last proposition of the miners looking toward a settlement of the coal strike. One concession in the proposition is the willingness on the part of miners to accept a reduction of six cents per ton on coal mined, providing operators would provide the means of handling cars of coal in mines. There were various other features in the miners' proposition, operators say, that were far away from the agreements received at the recent conference of committees. After debating for two hours the operators voted unanimously to reject the last proposition and a committee was instructed to notify W. F. Williams, president of Michigan district, of that fact. This leaves the strike as far from settlement as ever.

TOO MUCH RAIN MADE HIM BLUE

So Galesburg Man Sent for His Old Chum from Indiana.

One of the residents of Galesburg became a little low spirited under the spell of the long-continued rains and concluded that he needed the presence of a former boon companion now residing in Indiana, but just how to secure it was a conundrum. Being a man of resources he finally telegraphed the Indiana friend that he had "killed a man in the hayfield" and wanted his help in getting out of the scrape. The friend arrived, and, after explanations, which were taken in good part, the two old cronies are "visiting in great shape.

Eggs Are Scarce.

Eggs are very scarce around Menominee and in northern Wisconsin. Exorbitant prices are asked and a farmer having chickens makes a good thing off them just at present. Most of the eggs brought in are taken by the merchants as soon as they enter the town, and a good many are collected from small stores in the surrounding neighborhood.

Handle Heaps of Freight.

The annual report of the shipping department of E. Bement's Sons of Lansing, shows that during the year ending July 1, the company handled in the form of material and outbound shipments a total of 1,169 cars, aggregating in weight 42,392,142 pounds, aside from shipments in small lots aggregating 9,473,089 pounds.

Asks for Bonus.

The Union Traction Co. has asked $7,000 bonus from the township of Frankenmuth and will probably get it. Arbela is putting up $4,000 and Tuscola $5,000. The line is to run from Saginaw to Flint. The company does not require any of the pledges to be paid until the cars are running and fares being taken over the line.

Dunkard Colony.

A large colony of Dunkards is to be established in Alger county, near Munising, on lands purchased some time ago from the Scott interests. The scheme of colonization includes the building of a couple of towns, the founding of schools and churches and the establishing of modern communities in general.

Vote Often.

Zeeland recently had an election and voted $18,000 for water and light bonds. Now it is found that the bonding resolution was defective and another election will have to be held.

Knights Growing at Menominee.

Fifty candidates were initiated by the Knights of Columbus at Menominee, which now has one of the strongest councils in the state, and the largest in the upper peninsula.

Lapeer County Socialists.

The Socialists of Lapeer county, the Lapeer-Tuscola senatorial district and the seventh congressional district will meet at Imlay City August 20, to nominate candidates.

Rebuilding at Wayland.

The business men of Wayland are already preparing to rebuild the structures which were burned recently. Most of the new buildings will be of brick.

Sanitary Improvements.

Sanilac Centre is agitating the question of securing water works and a sewer system.

Seizes Slot Machines.

All the Marine City slot machines in town were seized by the sheriff.

Catching Turtles.

Catching turtles for the eastern market is a new industry at Portland. The shippers net a profit of about 5 cents a pound, and some of the turtles taken weigh as much as forty-five pounds.

Named Deputy Warden.

Theo. B Catlin of Iron Mountain has received the appointment as deputy warden of the Marquette branch state prison. He served as sheriff two terms, and one term as chief of police.

Big Loss on Hay.

Conservative estimates place the loss to Hillsdale county farmers from the heavy rains at $60,000 on hay alone.

Mike O'Malley, Italian.

Grand Rapids has but one organ-grinder. His name is Mike O'Malley and he is an Italian.

Makes Bicycle Pedals.

A Port Huron factory is turning out 1,000 pairs of bicycle pedals every day.

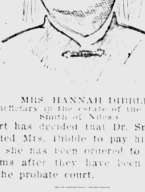
DECIDES AN INSURANCE CASE.

Court at Niles Requires Beneficiary to Settle Debts of Estate.

A sensational case which has been watched with great interest in lodge circles throughout the country was decided by Judge Coolidge of the Berrien county circuit court in session at Niles. In April, 1901, Dr. W. H. Smith, a prominent physician of Niles, died after an illness covering

DR. W. H. SMITH.

(Disposition of whose property brought on a sensational suit in Berrien county after a period of several months. After his demise it was found that Mrs. Nellie House, a professional nurse, held bills of sale covering all of the personal property of the decedent. It also developed that Mrs. Hanna Dibble, a country cousin, was made beneficiary in two life insurance policies, each for $3,000. After the death of Dr. Smith suit was commenced by Mrs. Smith and her daughter, they alleging that he had used Mrs. Dibble as a cover, it being the understanding that she was to pay the money, or the greater part of it, to Mrs. House, whom Dr. Smith represented to Mrs. Dibble as a heavy creditor of his. The



MRS. HANNAH DIBBLE.

(Beneficiary in the estate of the late Dr. Smith of Niles.)

court has decided that Dr. Smith intended Mrs. Dibble to pay his debts and she has been ordered to pay all claims after they have been proved in the probate court.

Winner Is a Loser.

A Lansing man visited the trotting races in Detroit and on one race won $25, but some other man got it. He paid $25 for a ticket which called for $50 in case that particular horse won. The horse did win, and after taking a drink or two on his good luck the man joined the line of winners behind the bookmaker's cage to cash in—and found that some one had picked his pocket of the ticket.

Protest Against Carnegie.

The Escanaba council has accepted plans for the new Carnegie library. Resolutions from the Trades and Labor council were read, requesting the council not to accept money from a man who had made his fortune at the expense of labor. The resolutions stated that Carnegie adds insult to injury in building libraries. The resolutions had no weight with the council, however.

Rain Water for Boilers.

The Ann Arbor University is building a mammoth cistern thirty feet deep in order to get soft water for the boilers of the heating plant. The cistern will be supplied from the eaves of the new medical building. The university has experienced considerable trouble in the boilers from the lime which is present in the city water.

Fire at Wayland.

An entire block of buildings in the business center of Wayland was destroyed by fire. The new hotel, the opera house, the grange hall and seven stores were burned, causing a loss of about $16,000, partially covered by insurance.

Bank Changes Hands.

The bank of Maybee was sold by H. S. German, president, to F. W. Ackerman & Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, who will take charge at once.

Civil Service Examinations.

The Federal civil service commission announces examinations to be held in Michigan as follows: At Grand Rapids, on September 30 and October 31, at Lansing, Manistee, Marquette and Saginaw, on October 10.

Fatal Trolley Pole.

There's a pole on the trolley line between Kalamazoo and Lakeview against which one man has been killed and two others seriously injured by being thrown from cars, each in a separate accident.

Trampled to Death.

The 10-year-old son of Clause Stamper, of Olive, was killed by being trampled on by a horse he had taken to water.

New Bank at Lake Odessa.

Lake Odessa will have a new bank in a short time, to be controlled by local business men and farmers.

Bitten by a Rattlesnake.

T. I. Phelps, proprietor of the Phelps house at Greenville, was bitten in the leg by a rattlesnake.

TRY TO SWINDLE FARMERS

Speculators Buy Old Notes and Threaten to Bring Suit.

Swindlers carrying several thousand dollars' worth of notes and contracts are working the farmers of central Michigan. Eighteen years ago agents of a hedge fence company of southern Michigan sold thousands of dollars' worth of hedge fence through Michigan for $1 a rod, agreeing to cultivate the fence at four regular periods and plant it in a way to make it stock proof, taking the purchase price in four installments. They made two visits as per agreement, then the company failed. The fence were not kept up and many of them were pulled out. The notes and contracts, now turn up in the hands of speculators, who are traveling over the country threatening the farmers with court proceedings unless they settle, notwithstanding the fact that the deal was outlawed years ago.

PRISONERS GET PRIVILEGES.

Corporal Punishment Has Been Abolished and Men May Smoke.

Besides the abolition of corporal punishment three additional privileges have been granted the convicts at the prison. Smoking in the cells, heretofore prohibited, is now allowed to the extent of twenty-eight cents worth of tobacco a month. The brands to be used are specified, so that a convict partial to dried skunk cabbage may not punish the others. Buying and selling of personal effects between convicts is also to be allowed hereafter, and the freedom of the yards three nights instead of two nights a week. These privileges are granted, it is said as a direct result of the better discipline following the abolition of corporal punishment. Officials say the old time convicts now help to maintain discipline and advise the new men that only compliance with the rules pays.

OFFERS TO BUILD A MONUMENT.

Generous Proposition of Gen. Withington to Jackson Council.

Gen. W. H. Withington, in a communication to the Jackson council, offers to build a soldiers' monument if the council will furnish a site. Accompanying his communication was one from the Ladies' Literary and Art Society, offering a suitable site at the intersection of Main street and Wildwood avenue for $500. The council will accept. It is said the proposed monument will cost upwards of $5,000. Gen. Withington was an officer in the First Michigan Infantry during the war of the rebellion.

Commissions Issued.

Commissions were issued by the adjutant-general to Binsley R. Fales, lieutenant first division, Michigan State Naval Brigade, Detroit; Lieutenant Frank A. Lawrence, Company A, third infantry, Flint; Lieutenant Ralph A. Mosher, Company H, second infantry, Grand Rapids; Captain George C. Watts, Company C, first infantry, Detroit; Lieutenant William J. Lawrence, Company C, first infantry, Detroit.

Burial Ground for Dogs.

Battle Creek has a queer problem to solve. For the past ten years the dog pound, comprising about one acre, has been used as a graveyard for the unclaimed canines slaughtered by the dog catcher. It has become so full of bones that there is actually not another foot of space left for the carcasses of condemned dogs. The city now proposes to grant a burial privilege of some farmer.

Kills Her Chicks.

Mrs. F. L. Lindsay of Thetford used a lice killing preparation on her large stock of grown poultry and as it worked well she used some on a brood of various ages a three weeks old, all of whom died. The manufacturers of the stuff offered to refund the cost of the powder, but refused to consider her claim for the dead chicks.

Hay Fork Struck Him.

I. R. Whiting was seriously injured by being struck in the forehead by a hay fork while unloading hay in his barn, four miles southwest of Brown City.

Rockford's Shoe Factory.

Work on the buildings for Rockford's shoe factory has been begun and it is expected that by fall the plant will be turning out shoes.

Reunion of "Fighting Fifth."

The thirty-third annual reunion of the "Fighting Fifth" Michigan infantry will be held at Otisville on Wednesday, Aug. 27.

Cut to Pieces.

H. S. Rogers of Copemish was killed by the Ann Arbor flyer. His limbs and arm were severed and the trunk of the body almost cut in two. Rogers was well-to-do. He was driving cows at the time of the accident.

Blacklist Coal Buyers.

The coal dealers of Lansing have established a blacklist of people who have neglected to pay for their coal in years past. Paying spot cash or going without coal will be the fashion among such people next winter.

Burned by Gasoline.

A gasoline explosion caused a serious fire at the residence of T. D. Burns at Grass Lake. Allie Burns was seriously burned about the arms and body, and Mrs. Burns less seriously.

Moving an Old Mill.

That Cooperville grist mill which is to be moved to Thompsonville is an old plant which has been idle for nearly ten years. The mill now in operation there is secure for Coopersville.

THE NEWS OF THE WORLD

A Trusty's Return.

A mother's love, a sense of duty toward her children, prompted Mrs. Nellie Montgomery to elude the vigilance of guards at the penetentiary in Jefferson City, Mo., to spend several months at liberty, working in behalf of her little ones. At the time she was a "trusty"—a prisoner allowed partial liberty because of previous good conduct—in the home of the warden. She slipped away at night, leaving a note for Mr. Woldridge, explaining her conduct. She said it was absolutely necessary for her to go and gave herself from Jan. 2, the day of her departure, until March 1, but admitted that it might not be "possible" for her to return at this time to date. Her act means a year longer in prison for her but by it three young sons, when they come of age, will reap a benefit to the amount of $2,000, a sense of honor, a desire to show that she was worthy of the trust placed in her by F. M. Woldridge, warden of the penal institution, caused her to return last week and announce that she was sorry duty had compelled her to flee; that she was now ready to serve out the remainder of her term.

The Great Cost.

Maj. James Parker, of the adjutant general's office, gives the following statistics regarding the insurrection in the Philippines. There were 2,561 engagements with the enemy, more or less serious, between Feb. 4, 1899, the date of the battle of Manila, and April 30, 1902, fixed as the virtual downfall of the insurrection.

The number of troops transported to the Philippines up to July 16 was 4,135 officers and 123,802 men.

The casualties of the American army were: Killed or died of wounds, 49 officers and 1,036 enlisted men; deaths from disease, 17 officers and 2,025 enlisted men; deaths from accidents, 6 officers and 125 enlisted men; drowned, 6 officers and 72 enlisted men; suicide, 10 officers and 72 enlisted men; murdered, 1 officer and 91 enlisted men; total deaths, 129 officers and 4,016 enlisted men. Wounded, 390 officers and 2,797 enlisted men, a total of 2,987.

Such a Peaceful County.

A reign of terror has prevailed in Jackson, Ohio, since James Cockrell, the town marshal, was shot down by an assassin concealed in the court house, Monday afternoon. Cockrell received five wounds, any of three of which would have been fatal, and died in the hospital at Lexington the next morning.

The man who fired the shots has not been found and no arrest is probable. He was concealed in the Circuit Court room of the court house, and poked his rifle through the half raised window. Nobody seems to know or says he knows the assassin, but no one will name him. Cockrell's friends have no doubt that his death was due to the Hargis faction of the old feud. Cockrell feud, but the Hargis men repel all insinuations. There have been 56 murders in Breathitt county in the last eight months and not a legal hanging since 1891.

To Destroy a Fort.

Incendiaries are making repeated attempts to destroy Fort Stevens, the new military post near Astoria, Ore. Now that plans succeeded they would have blown the fort to atoms and perhaps killed hundreds of persons. They set fire to the torpedo storehouse, but the building is fireproof and the attempt failed. Almost simultaneously fire was discovered in the barracks, but this, too, was extinguished. The incendiaries had saturated the floor with oil.

After the fires were extinguished a note is said to have been found signed "The Twelve Dynamiters," declaring that the writers had determined to destroy the fort, and that their efforts will be continued.

Mrs. Peary's Quest.

Provisioned for several months and all equipped to withstand the rigors of the polar seas, the Peary relief steamer Windward sailed from Halifax Tuesday for the north. Aboard are Mrs. Peary and her little daughter Marie. The wife of the explorer is confident of finding her husband at Cape Sabine, and that his return to civilization will be signalized by the news that he has discovered the long sought for pole.

Resumes Coal Mining.

The Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co., of Tamaquah, Pa., resumed operations at its No. 12 mine, one of the greatest collieries in the region Thursday. The move of the company was unexpected. This is the first large colliery to resume. It is believed other companies will now make an effort to mine coal.

A Bad Wreck.

Engineer Clark, of Nenia, under his engine, burned to a crisp; his fireman, Fred Heimbach, name unknown, head crushed, right arm broken and both legs cut off, three passengers, two women and a man, burned to death in a Pullman sleeper and a number of other passengers injured, is the awful story of the wrecking of the Panhandle limited from St. Louis eastbound to New York to-night at Trebing Station, a short distance from Nenia.

United States Ambassador Clayton at Mexico has succeeded in securing restitution of $50,000 confiscated from large American and English interests in the Tlahualilo Mining Co. of Mexico by Mexican director.

Joubert Reitz, a 22-year-old Boer who fought through the war and after peace was declared refused to take allegiance to King Edward, landed in New York July 14, decided to become an American citizen, and has already taken out his first naturalization papers.

Judge Clarence J. Campbell, of Amherst, Va., was indicted there by the grand jury on a charge of felonious assault on the Rev. C. H. Crawford, whom he cowhided in June. In an anti-saloon paper of which he is the editor, Rev. Mr. Crawford had criticised the judge's decision in a local option case.

Over $1,000,000 has been raised of the promised fund of $5,000,000, which the British Wesleyan Methodists started to collect three years ago, and the Methodists have secured Royal Aquarium theater property, facing Westminster Abbey, on which they would build a great hall.

Second Lieutenant G. D. Gregson, of the Second Life Guards, of Windsor, England, was hunted through the barracks with whips, ducked in a horse trough until half dead, and robbed of all his possessions by officers of the same regiment, who explained that the hard-working, efficient lieutenant was "socially undesirable."

King Edward's Condition.

There are reports of King Edward's condition which come not directly and are so detailed that accuracy seems certain. The gist of it is that instead of being "out of danger," the king is so low that his physicians believe his one hope lies in the good that his sea trip may do him. There is a growing feeling that he never will be crowned, and on this account a supreme effort will be made to rush him through the formality of a coronation ceremony before the patient really is in a state to undertake anything of the kind. People interested in the royal succession fear family complications if the crowning is not performed, and those who have a regard for the king outside his exalted station are afraid that his life will be sacrificed to alleviate these fears. During his illness he has lost 27 pounds in weight, and his face that was always plump and fresh is now showing the high cheek bones through a skin as pale as snow.

CONDENSED NEWS.

Anna and Rose Glaw, of Cleveland, aged 6 and 10 years respectively, were drowned in Lake Erie while sailing.

At Perterville, Col., James McKinney, an ex-convict, shot five men and escaped into the country in a stolen rig.

Wm. J. White, cashier of the board of public works of San Francisco, has disappeared, several thousand dollars short in his accounts.

An analysis of the city water in Manila shows that it is uncontaminated. There were sixty-one cases of cholera there Sunday.

John Wise, a negro, who committed an assault upon Mrs. John Smith, a young white woman living near Pembroke, Ga., was lynched.

Liang Chen Tung, the new Chinese minister to the United States, has sailed from Southampton for New York on the steamer Philadelphia.

The plant of the Owensboro, Ky., Planing Mill Co., a subsidiary of the Continental Tobacco Co. were destroyed by fire. Loss, $100,000.

Fourteen masked men slaughtered more than 600 goats on the grazing ground of the Angora Goat Raising association, Pinon Mesa, Col. Loss, $8,000.

The Sebley Triumphal Arch association of Baltimore was incorporated to erect, by popular subscription, a handsome arch commemorating the admiral's deeds.

Manila papers received at the war department give an account of the beginning of the trial of 23 natives in the island of Mindora, who were charged with killing four Americans.

While George Leonard, of Birmingham, Ala., was being taken to the police station under arrest for quarreling with Hollis Parish, a young attorney, the latter shot and killed Leonard.

The cows owned by G. Lee Stoub, pasturing at Bloomfield, N. J., gave very little milk until the caretaker found three fat and lazy milk snakes in the pasture and killed them.

An earthquake shock occurred at Yankton, S. D., lasting about twelve seconds. The shock was accompanied by the usual rumbling noises and moved from northeast to southwest.

The coroner's jury, investigating the disaster in the Pittsburg coal mine on July 10, found that the explosion was caused by an open lamp being taken into a room where gas existed.

Reports from the country around Hornellsville, N. Y., show that the cloudburst of Saturday night affected nearly eighty square miles of territory. A broad estimate of the damage is $250,000.

The interior department has sent out notices asking for bids for the pine timber on sections 16 and 36 of each of the townships of the Red Lake reservation, and of a part of the White Earth reservation, in Minnesota.

Richard M. Shaw, of Central Falls, R. I., recently had a photograph taken of his 21-months-old son, and in the corner appeared the face of a relative who, Mr. Shaw claims, has been dead 14 years.

Riley Hammond, a 16-year-old boy living on his father's farm near Prospero, Ind., secured permission to go to Troy to see a baseball game. When refused, he flew into a violent rage, drew a pistol, and shot himself dead.

President Roosevelt has commuted to dishonorable discharge and five years' imprisonment the death sentence of Private Guy Stevenson, Troop M, Ninth Cavalry. He was convicted by court-martial in Samar, P. I., of criminal assault.

Mayor "Golden Rule" Jones has finally disclosed his whereabouts, which have been carefully kept a secret for three weeks that he might have a chance to get a good rest. He is in Petoskey, Mich., serving as a farmer, gardener and section hand.

Commander Charles P. Perkins, now on duty with the naval war college, has been assigned to command the cruiser Philadelphia. He will succeed the late Capt. Resinger, who died while his ship was en route to San Francisco from the Isthmus.

Twenty-eight refugee negroes driven from Womelsdorf, W. Va., as a result of the race war following the murder of Chief of Police Wilmot, have arrived at Philadelphia and scattered for eastern points. Negroes are leaving the vicinity of Womelsdorf by scores.

The husband of Ella Wheeler Wilcox has sued an old friend "kissing stone" in a stone wall on her bungalow at Short Beach, New Haven, N. J. Every moonlight evening the young people congregate there, as they say it is a good place to get away from mosquitoes."

Cora Watts is a prisoner in the jail at Rome, N. Y., for murdering George Heimer, a married man, whose unwelcome attentions had become of offence. Many gifts of magazines and flowers are sent her, and her lover, Frank Redell, comes to see her several times a week, and will marry her when she is released.

Mrs. Sol C. Vaughan, aged 64, one of the wealthiest and most prominent women of Paducah, Ky., was accidentally shot and killed by her grandson, Vaughan Dabney, aged 13. The boy, crazed with grief, attempted suicide, and was quieted only with the administration of opiates.

Capt. J. N. McClanahan, a prominent politician of Carydon, Ia., and ex-grand master of the Masonic order of Iowa, has lost his right hand from the effects of a handshake with a friend. The grip received in the hand broke several small bones were broken and afterward caused a cancerous growth. Amputation became necessary.

Schwab is Ill.

Charles M. Schwab, president of the United States Steel corporation, while out driving in Atlantic City, Saturday, suffered an attack of what is reported to be nervous prostration and is under the care of physicians at his handsome cottage on Pennsylvania avenue. Mr. Schwab came from New York city in his private car to visit his father and mother, who arrived Friday from St. Aloysius convent, at Loretto, Pa. Mr. Schwab had spent the greater part of the day at his cottage, but in the afternoon took a stroll, then he sipped a drive, and accompanied by his mother and sister, started along the Longport speedway. When a short distance out Mr. Schwab complained of feeling unwell and the carriage was hastily driven to his cottage and a physician summoned.

Snubbed Miles.

The friends of Gen. Miles are much exercised over the latest snub by the secretary of war. Before Secretary Root left for Europe he made Brigadier-General Wm. H. Carter acting adjutant general in the absence of Gen. Corbin. Although he is a junior line officer this action places Gen. Carter in a position to outrank the recommendations made by Lieut.-Gen. Miles, the commanding general officer of the army and his senior in the line. He can add Root's name to many headquarters such reports as he may deem advisable and can continue to make his chief the nonentity that Secretary Root has constantly sought.

BASE BALL.

Below we publish the standing of the American and National leagues clubs up to and including the games played on Tuesday, July 29, 1902.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Per ct.
Chicago	44	24	.563
Boston	40	37	.519
Philadelphia	42	34	.553
St. Louis	36	34	.514
Washington	40	42	.488
Baltimore	37	45	.451
Cleveland	37	47	.434
Detroit	32	45	.416

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost.	Per ct.
Pittsburg	60	19	.759
Brooklyn	48	38	.558
Boston	41	35	.539
Chicago	42	43	.512
St. Louis	37	45	.451
Cincinnati	34	44	.436
Philadelphia	33	49	.417
New York	28	54	.325

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

WONDERLAND—Performances at 2 and 4, 10c, 15c and 25c. Eve. at 7:30 and 9:15, 10c, 15c and 25c.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit.—Cattle: Market active at last week's prices. Not many good cattle on sale; an active demand for good stuff. Light demand for stockers and feeders, and not many offered. Milch cows—Lower. Range of prices: Choice steers, $6@6.40; good to choice butchers, $5@5.75; fair to good, $4.75@5; light to good butcher steers and heifers, 700 to 900 lbs, $3.75@4.50; canners, $1.50@2.50; common do, $2@2.25; good shippers' bulls, $3.50@4.40; best feeders, 900 to 1,000 lbs, common feeders, $3.50@4; stockers, $2@3.50.

Sheep and Lambs.—Market opened 25 to 35 cents lower and closed very dull and fully 75 cents lower than last week. One extra load of choice lambs brought $4.50, balance of lambs were sold around $4. Best lambs, $4.30@4.35; fair to good mixed lots, $3@4; yearlings, $4@4.50; fair to good butcher sheep, $3@3.25; culls and common, $2.50@3.50.

Hogs.—Market 10 to 15c lower than last week. Light to good butchers, $2.50@7.60; pigs and light yorkers, $7.60@7.65; roughs, $5.50@6; stags 1-3 off.

Chicago.—Cattle: Market slow and steady, good to prime, $7@8; fair to poor to medium, $4.50@7.75; stockers and feeders, $2.50@5.25; cows, $1.50@5.50; heifers, $2.25@5.50; canners, $1.50@2.50; bulls, $2.25@5.25; calves, $2.50@6.50; Texas fed steers, $4@5.75; western range steers, $4@6.

Hogs.—Mixed and butchers, $7.15@7.90; good to choice heavy, $7.65@7.90; rough heavy, $7.30@7.65; light, $5.75@7.60; bulk of sales, $7.40@7.65.

East Buffalo.—Cattle: Receipts, light, lately steady; veal steady; tops, $6.75@7; fair to good, $6@6.50; common to light, $5@5.85.

Sheep—Lambs, $6.40@6.60; fair to good, $5.75@6; culls to common, $4.50@5.80; yearlings, $4.75@5.25; wethers, $4.25@4.70; sheep, top mixed, $4.25@4.50; fair to good, $4@4.25; culls to common, $2.25@3.50; ewes, $4@4.25.

Hogs—Heavy, medium and yorkers, $7.90; pigs, $7.85@7.95; roughs, $6.75@7; stags, $5.75@6.50.

Grain.

Detroit.—Wheat: No. 1 white, 80c; No. 2 red, 10 cars at 76c, closing nominal at 75½c; July, 5,000 bu at 75¾c, 5,000 bu at 75½c; September, 11,000 bu at 75½c, 10,000 bu at 75¼c, closing 75c asked; December, 10,000 bu at 76½c, closing nominal at 76c; No. 3 red, 3 cars at 74c; No. 2 white, 75½c; mixed winter, 75½c; rejected, 3 cars at 71½c; by sample, 1 car at 68½c per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 66½c; No. 3 yellow, 5 cars at 67½c per bu.

Oats—No. 2 white, 60c bid; No. 3 do, 2 cars at 59½; do August, 1,000 bu at 49c; September, 2,000 bu at 32c; December, 1,000 bu at 37c, closing 36c per bu; new No. 3, white, 5 cars spot at 4 ½c per bu.

Chicago.—Wheat: No. 2 spring, 77½@78c; No. 3, 76@77c; No. 2 red, 78c.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 67c.

Oats—No. 2, 51@52½c; No. 3 white, 53@56c.

Produce.

Butter—Creamery, extra, 21½@22c; firsts, 20@21c; fancy selected dairy, 17@17½c; good to choice, 15@16c; bakers grades, 13@14c.

Cheese—New full cream, 10@10½c; brick, 11@12c.

Eggs—Candled, fresh receipts, 18c; at mark, 18@18½c per doz.

Honey—No. 1 white, 13@14c; light amber, 10@11c; dark amber, 8@9c; extracted, 6@6½c per lb.

Apples—Choice new, $1.50@1.75 per bu; $4@4.50 per bbl.

Evaporated apples—9½c per lb; sundried, 4@6 per lb.

Peaches—Michigan clings, 20@25c per one-fifth bu basket.

Poultry—Spring chickens, 12@14c; live hens, 9@9½c; roosters, 6@7c; young ducks, 9@10c; turkeys, 10@11c; geese, 8@9c per lb.

Dressed Calves—Fancy, 9@9½c per lb; fair, 8@8½c per lb.

Hay—Prices on baled hay now are as follows: No. 1 timothy, $13@13.50; No. 2, $11.50@12; clover mixed, $11; rye straw, $8.50 per ton; wheat and oat straw, $8.50 per ton in car-lots, f. o. b. Detroit.

Wool—Quotations are as follows for the following prices: Medium and coarse unwashed, 19@20c; fine do, 16@17c; do bucks, 10@12c; unwashed tags, 6c per lb.

Butterine manufacturers of Ohio have decided to contest the recently enacted oleomargarine law as class legislation.

It is officially announced that cholera is raging at Mudken, Manchuria. There were 757 cases between July 13 and July 14, and 81 Russians and 303 Chinese died from the disease.

A terrific submarine volcanic eruption took place off Horta, Island of Fayal, in the Azores. A volcano in the mountains between Santander, capital of Santander province, and Asturias, Spain, is threatening, and frequent earthquake shocks have been felt.

In a bitter debate on the Irish estimates, John Dillon, Irish Nationalist, declared that the speech of the chief secretary for Ireland, Mr. Wyndham, was a declaration of war against the Irish. Timothy Healy, Irish Nationalist, described Ireland as the "sick child of the British empire."

A man named Wade, under arrest in Reed City for skipping a board bill at the Hotel King, was convicted and given 30 days in jail. Sheriff Edgett started with him for Hersey. No handcuffs were used, and on the way the prisoner got control of the horse, overturned the carriage and made his escape.